



# EDINBURGH,

The twenty third of February, one thousand six hundred and sixty four.

*Discharging the King's Letters bearing date the 11th of this month of his Majesty's Palace.*



**L**he Lords of His Majesties Privy Council considering, that the not observance of the Acts of Parliament, made against the bearing and shooting with Guns, using of Setting-dogs, Nets and Gins, especially within or near to His Majesties Palaces, Castles, Parks, Woods or Forrests, is like to be a great prejudice to His Majesties game of Hunting, and to destroy the breed of wilde-fowl and Deer, unless remedy be provided, and the Acts of Parliament, made there-anent, appointed to be kept and obeyed, under the pains therein contained. Therefore, they prohibit and discharge all persons whosoever, to carry or shoot with Guns within a mile of any of His Majesties Palaces, Castles, Parks, Woods or Forrests; as also, all common Foulers to make use of any Setting-dogs, Nets, or Gins, in any place whatsoever; and all other Subjects whosoever to carry or shoot with Guns, without a special Licence from the Council, or that they be privileged by the Law; with certification, that if any shall contravene the saids Acts, that the pains and penalties therein contained shall be exacted with all rigour: And ordains all Sheriffs of Shires, Stewarts of Stewartries, Bailies of Regalities, Justices of Peace and Magistrates of Burghs, to see that obedience be given hereto within their severall Jurisdictions. And ordains these presents to be printed, and published at the Mercat-crosses of the whole severall Burghs of this Kingdom, and at all Paroch Kirks, that none pretend ignorance.

*Pet. Wedderburne, Cl. S<sup>i</sup> Concilii.*